













Looking over our Prospectus for 1849, we thought we could not do better than embody the larger portion of it, with some amendments, in the form of a New Prospectus for 1850, which we here subjoin. Those of our editorial brethren who may choose to notice it, will confer a favor that shall be reciprocated.

PROSPECTUS FOR 1850.

## THE NATIONAL ERA.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

**THE NATIONAL ERA** is an Anti-Slavery, Political, and Literary Newspaper.

A brief summary of the principles and measures we are prepared to adopt with proper caution to sustain, will serve to show the character and course of the *Era*.

We hold—

That Slavery is repugnant to Natural Right, the Law of Christianity, the Spirit of the Age, and the essential nature of our Republican Institution:—

That Emancipation, without compulsory expatriation, is a highly objectionable compromise and Expedient—

That there is but one safe and effectual mode of abolishing Slavery; and that by law, to be enacted by the States in Union.

That Slavery can have no lawful being in Territory under the exclusive jurisdiction of the United States:—

That Congress is bound to exclude it from all Territory now belonging or that may hereafter belong to the United States:

That the American Union, on the basis of Peace, the Organ of one Language and one Civilization, the medium of free Trade, among the numerous States and Territories stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific shores of this Continent; as the Refuge of suffering millions from the Old World, and a safe-guard against the influence of European tyrannies, is of precious value to the Cause of Human Progress; and that there is enough Intelligence and virtue in its members to extirpate the African Slave Trade, and to banish the slave, to harmonize, to improve its energies, alloy its good, and thicken its stability:

to the Federal Constitution to be as amended as to the Executive, the President shall be elected by the People, directly, and to limit his term of office to four years, making him thereafter ineligible; and to be still further amended, so that the President shall be elected by the election of their United States Senators, changing the term of office from four to six years:

That the Postmaster General shall be separated from the Chief Executive, the Postmaster General and all the local Postmasters being elective by the People, and the Postmaster General and all the local Postmasters shall be subject to the strictest checks lodged in the hands of the Postmaster General:

That all state newspapers, of a certain size, for all the States, shall be sent out, on all letters, under half an ounce, for postage free, and that the right of a press privilege should be abolished; and negotiations be instituted for the purpose of securing free exchanges within reasonable limits between the United States and all the foreign States, and a reduction to the lowest point possible in the postage on letters passing between foreign countries and our own:

That the public lands shall be held as a trust for the benefit of the People of the United States, to be donated in full to the People of the United States, and to be sold at the

That the homestead ought to be exempt from sale or execution for debt :

That restrictions on commerce among the several States, and between all nations, ought to be removed :

That Congress ought to make due appropriations for improvements demanded by the interests of commerce with foreign nations, or among the States, provided they be not purely local in their benefit, and be not proper subjects for State or individual enterprise.

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